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## **Detectives Seeking Information On A Drive By Shooting On I-5**

**King County:** At approximately 6:45 am this morning Washington State Patrol (WSP) communications received a 9-1-1 call from an individual advising that their back window was shot out on NB I-5 near 272<sup>nd</sup> St.

Troopers responded and contacted the victim NB I-5 south of SR 516 on the left side. The victim stated that a white Dodge Charger came up behind them traveling at a high rate of speed and they couldn't get over right away to allow it to pass. Once they changed lanes the victim believed that someone in the Dodge fired a round through the back window causing it to shatter.

Upon speaking with one of the witnesses who also called 9-1-1 detectives were able to learn there was another vehicle involved and was the vehicle that fired a weapon. The witness indicated that they observed the white Dodge pass them on the left and another gray vehicle possible with a spoiler on the trunk pass them on the right at a high rate of speed. According to the witness it appeared that the gray vehicle was chasing the white Dodge. The witness then observed a handgun come out of the window and fire a couple shots in the direction of the white Dodge.

The victim was driving a red Mazda CX5 and from what the investigation shows at this point is that this victim was not the intended target. Thankfully there were no injuries.





Year to date WSP detectives in King County alone have investigated 16 shootings on the roadways that are patrolled by troopers. This is 4 more than the 12 they investigated in the same time span in 2021.

Detectives are seeking witnesses to this incident or information that could lead to identifying the white Dodge or the gray suspect vehicle. Please contact Detective Ford by email at <a href="mailto:Brody.Ford@wsp.wa.gov">Brody.Ford@wsp.wa.gov</a> .
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